

Mojave Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (MOSO RAC)
Tri-RAC Meeting Breakout Session Minutes
Friday, November 3, 2006 – Reno, Nevada

Open Meeting:

- Chairperson **Steve Mellington** opened the meeting and called for the election of a new Chairperson and Co-Chairperson. The group elected **Dr. John Hiatt** as the Chairperson and **Steve Mellington** as the Co-Chairperson.

Administrative Business:

- Hillerie C. Patton provided RAC members with 2007 travel authorizations for signature. Additionally, Patton explained how the travel for members will be processed for each meeting.
- New members were introduced to the group with an explanation of what position the member will serve and who each person is replacing. New members are as follows: Tim Carlson (Mineral Development), **Julie Von Tobel-Gleason** (Wild Horse and Burro), **E. Edwin Higbee** (Federal Grazing), and **Gregory Seymour** (Archaeology/Historic).
- Karen Eller will not serve as the note taker for this session of the RAC. Juan Palma offered the services of his assistant, Olivia Sierra, to take notes at upcoming meetings.

Old Business: The RAC discussed business from the 2006 session.

- The Group made revisions to a letter to the Nevada State Director regarding Mojave Ecosystem Fires. The Revisions are as follows:
 - Bullet second paragraph and add state and local after Federal.
 - Add a sentence about private landowners joining the process.
 - Change the last sentence.
 - Change subject line of the letter.
 - Post the letter on the web
 - Use the official name of the RAC on the “From” line –Mojave Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council.

Field Managers’ Issues for the 2007 Session: Each field manager provided to the RAC issues he would like the group to discuss and provide council for the 2007 session. The topics are as follows:

- **Las Vegas Field Office**
 - Partnerships (Public/Private)
 - Land Health (CTA/Red Rock/Etc.)
 - Serving Communities

- Urban Interface
- Energy and Minerals
- Fire Restoration
- Additional Topics for consideration/discussion
 - Sloan Canyon National Conservation
 - Wild Horse and Burros
 - Vegetation Criteria (Matrix)
- **Tonopah Field Office**
 - Partnerships
 - Rhyolite (Historic Preservation/Recreation)
- **Ely Field Office**
 - Resource Management Plan (RMP) (Review Administrative Draft)
 - Meadow Valley Wash
 - Mojave Ecosystem (Tools to Protect)
 - Eastern Nevada Landscape Restoration

RAC Interests for 2007 Session: The members provided to the BLM field managers the topics they are interested in covering for the 2007 session.

- Nye County Lands Bill
- Mojave Desert Resource Protection (Get information from California)
- Gold Butte
- Land Disposal
- Southern Nevada Public Land Management Act (SNPLMA) Round 7
- Water Pipeline
- Regional Energy Projects
- Air force Briefing
- Longstanding Trespass
- SNPLMA Lincoln County

Meeting Dates and Topics of Discussion:

Location - Las Vegas

January 11, 2006 – Field Trip to Conservation Transfer Area (begins at noon)

January 12, 2006 – Meeting

Topics

- Conservation Transfer Area Briefing/Field Trip
- SNPLMA Round 7 Nominations
- Ely RMP
- Westside Energy Corridor (Scott Powers Briefing)

Location - Las Vegas

March 8, 2006 – Field Trip to Mormon Mesa

March 9, 2006 – Meeting

Topics

- Energy
- Restoration & Tentative Restoration Study in California
- Partnerships
- Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) Use Problems

Ely

June 14, 2006 – Meeting

June 15, 2006 – Eastern Nevada Landscape Coalition

Topics

- Energy
- Meadow Valley Wash TRT Update
- Eastern Nevada Landscape Project
- White Pine Greenup/Dumping
- Water Update

Tonopah

August 16, 2006 – Meeting

August 17, 2006 – Field Trip to Round Mountain Gold

Topics

- Energy
- Town site Trespass Issues
- Rhyolite
- OHV Use
- Unintended Consequences from Other Uses
- Resource Management Plans (outdated)
- Fire (Depends on the season)
- Nye County Lands Bill Update

Rejoined the Tri-RAC for Wrap up:

Chairperson Dr. John Hiatt made a presentation to the Tri-RAC to inform the group of the MOSO meeting dates and topics. The Meeting was formally adjourned.

Dr. John Hiatt, RAC Chair

Date